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Arrivals.

April 26, HECTOR, Brit. str., 1,522, Bowley, Shanghai, 20th April, Rice.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
April 24, VANGUARD, Brit. br., 640, Luckes, Singapore 24th March, 800 tons Coal.—CAPTAIN.
April 24, DICAR, Brit. str., 3,123, Seamas, Bombay 4th April, Gall-383, and Singapore 17th, General.—P. & O. Co.
April 24, SUN-FOO, Brit. str., 918, G. T. Castle, Singapore 18th April, and Saigon 26th, Rice and General.—AUG. HEARD & Co.
April 24, H.I.C.M. g.b. AN-LAN, Capt. Godfray from Canton.
April 24, YORT-TUNG, Brit. str., 323, Long-Swatow 23rd April, General.—KWOH-ACHEONG.
April 24, KATEKA, Siam, brig, 259, Thompson, Bangkok 25th March, Rice and Rosewood.—CHINESE.
April 24, CAMPOER, French steamer, 1,682, Champono, Marseilles 17th March, Port Said 24th, Suez 29th, Aden 30th; Galle 9th April, Singapore 17th, and Saigon 21st, Mails and General.—MESSAGHES MARINES.
April 24, HONGKONG, Brit. br., 1,231, Wm. Simington, Chinkiang 17th, Rice.—SIMONSON & Co.
April 24, WALSHAM, Brit. br., 771, Webster, Manila 13th April, Balasat.—CAPTAIN.
April 25, SUNSET, Brit. str., 281, Taylor, Avery 23rd April, General.—D. L. LAPEAK & Co.

Departures.

April 24, MADAWAS, for Bangkok.
April 24, JOHANNA ANTONIA, for Saigon.
April 24, MACAO, for Macao.
April 24, MIKANO, for Bangkok.
April 24, FOLDEN, for Newchow.
April 24, TETON, for Saigon.
April 24, LUZON, str., for Foochow.
April 25, HECTOR, str., for Whampoa.
April 25, GLENDALEBOCH, str., for Shanghai.
April 25, YANG-TZEE, str., for Canton.
April 25, DIAMANT, for Saigon.

Clearances.

At THE HABOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
April 24th.
Forward, for Portland, Oregon.
Queen of India, for Manila.
Queen of England, for Bangkok.
Yang-tze, str., for Canton.
Diamant, for Saigon.
Glenarwach, str., for Shanghai.

Passengers.

Per Hector, str., from Shanghai.—Mrs. Fryer, 2 children and servant.
Per Yung-tze, str., from Foochow.—2 Englishmen, 36 Chinese.
Per Diamant, str., from Bombay, &c.—Messrs. Cuttrill and Brudenell, and 38 Chinese.
Per San-foo, str., from Singapore, &c.—34 Chinese.
Per Sunshine, str., from Amoy.—1 cabin and 273 Chinese.

Reports.

The French mail steamer Cambodge reports left Macao on the 17th March, Port Said on 24th, Suez on 29th, Aden on 30th, Galle on 9th April, Singapore on 17th, and Saigon on 21st, at 11 a.m., and arrived in Hongkong on the 24th, at 11 p.m., had fine weather throughout the passage.

The British bark Campania reports left Saigon on 4th April, and Cape St. James on the 7th, arrived on 18th, and N.E. winds to Cape Ravela, after which a fresh N.E. gale, veering to the N.E. and high sea lasting three days, then light S.E. and E.S.E. winds up the Coast of Borneo to Amoy on the 12th instant, in lat. 10° 40' N. long. 105° 35' E., spoke the Siamese bark Kuthina from Bangkok 19 days out; spoke the British bark K. M. Young, from Saigon bound to Hongkong.

The British steamer Sunshine reports left Amoy on the 23rd April, had light winds and fine weather to arrival. The steamer Avo arrived in Amoy on the 15th, having been in collision with the steamer Jena on the 14th, off Oceano, brought with her the captain, chief engineer, third engineer, the European pilot, second mate, and 4 Chinese (all ill) saved from the stricken vessel. The Avo had not proceeded to the Firth of Shantung, but had proceeded to Shanghai in the U. S. Borneo on Sunday, the 21st. The Avo had several holes in her bows, and they were patched up, and she then proceeded on to Shanghai on the 23rd. Vague reports are to the effect that the Jena ran into the Avo. The Jena, 20 minutes after the collision, H. M. S. Iron Duke was outside Amoy when the Sunshine left. The steamer Emerald and steamer Douglas, also the U. S. Schooner was in Amoy when the Sunshine left.

The British ship Forward Ho! reports left Portland on the 22nd December, was 17 days to Madeira, having experienced bad weather and contrary winds. On the 5th Jan. at 2 a.m. was in collision, with a laque, and lost the jibboom; laque a port tack and Forward Ho! on starboard; laque would not give his name, but appears to be a foreigner. Arrived the Emerald on 31st Jan., at 11 a.m., off the Cape on 5th day out. On the 9th and 10th March, in the Indian Ocean, in lat. 25° S. long. 110° experienced a heavy gale, commencing E. and veering round to West. When the wind was at S.S.E. ran the ship, but finding the barometer still falling so low, at midnight, rounded to on the port tack, to avoid the centre of storm. The sail set went dead away; blowing a terrible hurricane. At 4 a.m. blowing something fearful, strength 20-30, ship flying high in the air, and the deck was covered with water, which was all washed blown in tatters and torn from the yard. At 6 a.m. main topmast with topgallant mast and yards went over the side; a little after, fore and mizzen topgallant masts went clear to the capes; the whole wreck with the labouring of the ship was dashed against the ship's side, at a great risk, to the ship; to save ship, etc. cut away weak. At 9 a.m. the glass began to break, and the ship was dashed about during 18 hours at a rate that was indescribable. With fragments of masts left at yards, broken spars, the ship presented a miserable appearance. Came by the Easterly route by Omissy Passage, experiencing much calmer weather; cleared Gilillo on the 5th instant, and arrived here on April 23d, after a passage of 121 days, being 43 days of that time under jury sail.

Auction Sale To-day.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Sundries Articles.

COMMERCIAL BILLIARD AND

REFRESHMENT ROOMS,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
Tiffin from 1 o'clock to 2.30 p.m.

J. R. WHITE

if 850 Hongkong, 25th April, 1872.

Banks.

THE BANK OF CHINA.
CAPITAL—\$2,500,000, in 25,000
Shares of \$100 each;

10s per Share payable on allotment,
and the remainder in such sum and
at such times as the Directors may
determine, but so that at least three
months' notice shall be given of every
call;

WITH POWER TO INCREASE TO
Tk. 5,000,000.

Provisional Committee.
O. C. BROWN, Esq.
Messrs. W. Postle & Co.

FRANCKE HOMMELER, Esq.

A. A. HAYES, Jr., Esq.
Messrs. Oliphant & Co.

G. J. KIRK, Esq.
Messrs. Chapman, King & Co.

R. W. LITTLE, Esq.
Messrs. Little & Co.

J. A. MARYLAND, Esq.
Messrs. Thorpe Brothers & Co.

D. REED, Esq.
Messrs. Reid & Co.

Stating Council.
W. W. M. BIRD, Esq., Barrister-at-Law.

Secretary to the Provisional Committee.
JAMES GILFILLAN, Esq.

WITH reference to the Prospectus issued
on the 17th January, the Provisional
Committee have now to inform intending
Shareholders that owing to various delays, the
necessary arrangements for the Bank's legal
constitution have not yet been completed.
When these will be fully completed, due notice
will be given, and the Provisional Committee
will at the same time state the final date for
the receipt of applications for shares.
Forms can be obtained in Shanghai on ap-
plication to the Secretary.

By order of the Provisional Committee.
J. GILFILLAN,
Secretary.

NOTICE
of Hongkong, 25th April, 1872.

DEUTSCHE NATIONAL BANK
AT BREMEN.

THE CAPITAL OF THIS BANK IS
15,000,000 THALER, OR £2,350,000,
DIVIDED INTO

75,000 SHARES OF 200 THALER, OR £30 EACH,
OR WHICH ONE HALF, OR 37,500 SHARES,
REPRESENTING A CAPITAL OF
7,500,000 THALER.

HAVE BEEN ISSUED.

SHAREHOLDERS are invited to furnish
a statement of the net Premium attaching to
their shares for the term 1869-71, before the
1st May next; after that date the adjustment
of the bonus due to contributors will be made
according to the books of the Company.

By order of the Court of Directors.
HERBERT S. MORRIS,
Secretary.

NOTICE
of Shanghai, 18th March, 1872.

CONSULS DES DEUTSCHE
REICHES.

ZU CANTON, 24th April, 1872.

NACH Art. 2 des Friedens Vertrages
von Tientsin am 26. April 1860, und
Art. 1 des Friedens Vertrages vom 11. April
1871 steht den amtsleb. Lothringen
herrenmännern und unverschuldet Europa's le-
benden Personen bis zum 1. Oct. 1873 die
Wahl zwischen der deutschen und franzö-
sischen Nationalität frei. Die Entscheidung
für die französischen Nationalität muss durch
eine von einer französischen Gesandtschaft
oder Consulats-Kanzlei abgegeben werden
oder durch Immatrikulation bei einer
Kanzlei erfolgen. Die französischen
Wahlrechte werden vierteljährlich auf diple-
tiert. Wechselseitige Verzeichnisse
über diese Erklärungen mittheilen.

Ferner hat in den Schleswig-Holsteins in der
Zusatz-Convention vom 11ten April 1871
bestimmt, dass alle aus der abgetrennten
Gebiete herrenmännigen Personen, welche
eigentlich in der französischen Nationalität
aufgewachsen sind, in der französischen
Nationalität eingetragen werden, und sind
durch die französischen Consulats abgezogen
und wird in den französischen Consulats
wieder eingetragen.

By order of the Official Administrator.

A. LOT OF MUSIC.

belonging to the Royal Engineers' PELLICO.

BY SALE. Cash before delivery in
Mexican Dollars weighted at 7.17. All Lots,
with all faults and errors of description, at pur-
chaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auditor.

555 Hongkong, 24th April, 1872.

MELCHERS & Co.

HONGKONG.

SIEMMSEN & Co.

Shanghai.

if 455 Hongkong, 9th March, 1872.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED

Credit—granted on approved Securities, and
every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

Debts—granted on London, and the chief
commercial places in Europe, India, Australia,
America, China and Japan.

JAMES G. ERIC, Chief Manager.

Office of the Director.
No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1872.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself at this
port as GENERAL MERCHANT AND
COMMISSION AGENT, under the style of
firm of

H. JURGENS & CO.

H. JURGENS,
No. 25, Water Street.

1710 Yokohama, 3rd April, 1872.

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$3,000,000 Dollars.

Court of Directors.

Chairman—S. P. TEE, Esq.

Deputy Chairman—S. S. SASSON, Esq.

E. J. H. Forbes, Esq.

A. J. Scott, Esq.

W. L. M. BIRD, Esq.

Managers.

Hongkong—James Greig, Esq.,
Chief Manager.

Shanghai—David McLean, Esq.,
London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of
1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For 2 months 2 per cent. per annum.

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NOTICE.

RECEIVED BY THE S. S. AVA.

LARGE quantity of White and Colored
French SHIRTS.

New shapes of Gentlemen's COLLARS.

Ladies' BOOTS.

And French PERFUMERY.

A. R. MARTY.

2, Queen's Bond, Hongkong, 16th April, 1872.

FOR SALE.

W. SCHMIDT & Co. have received by late
Arrival a very fine Assortment of
BREATH-LOADING BOWLING APPARATUS for
Agents at this port, under the Firm or Style of
FREIWEN & Co.

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EDWARD BERTON.

2, Queen's Bond, Hongkong, 16th April, 1872.

large resort town of Hamada, the capital of Shikoku, situated on the west coast of Japan, in 35° N. lat. and 138° E. long., being 180 English miles almost due west of Kubo.

"From what I can gather this appears to have been the centre of the earthquake. On the first shock, which was the most severe, the people had hardly time to get clear from their houses before they saw them tumble to pieces. The next day they were again compelled to run about 500 ft. as the earthquake continued, and about the 12th to the evening met, the remains of the kitchen fire were still smouldering, and igniting the debris of foreign timber, it flared up into a conflagration, thus adding to the terror of the sufferers. In completing the awful calamity originated by the convulsive throes of the earth."

"The earthquake appears to have lasted 10 consecutive days, so severe was the shock that the terror-stricken population were unable to walk and were obliged to crawl away on their hands and knees as best as they could, in search of some place of safety, generally making for the nearest bamboo groves as the Japanese consider them the safest resorts in such dire emergencies, it being their opinion that the complete network formed by the interlaced roots of the bamboos bind the earth together, and thus lessens the intensity of the shock. Many houses opened up in and about the town, from which the sea water gushed forth in plentiful streams."

"Traditions of 12 years back hand down another tale of misfortunes which befell the district about this town, and which for a time made the place uninhabitable. The rice crops were destroyed by swarms of an unusually large kind of rats. They appeared to come from the adjacent forests, and so destructive were their raids that the people were at a loss what to do with them. Eventually they stamped them out by driving them into the sea."

"Within a short distance from the seaport town of Hamada is a silver mine, named Giazu, which has been worked for the past 500 or 500 years. Few are, however, that it has not suffered from the earthquake shocks."

"The Governor of Hamada, who barely escaped with his life, passed through this a few days on his way to Tokyo, to file an official report to the Government, of the disaster caused by the earthquake and the total destruction by fire of the government offices."

ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH MAIL.

The French mail steamer *Cardeille*, Captain Champenois, from Marseilles 17th March, via Port Said, Suez, Aden, Call 9th, Singapore 16th, and Saigon 21st instant, arrived last night.

LONDON, 4th April.
It is reported in the *Morning Post* that a rumour is current of the English Government having received an official despatch from America offering the prospect of a satisfactory solution of the difficulty.

LONDON, 4th April.
In the House of Commons, Hiroburi moved for a reduction of the National Exchequer, but his motion was rejected.

LONDON, 11th April.
The German Parliament has been opened. In the speech from the Throne the Emperor stated that the Party pursued by the German Government had been successful in the conclusion of all foreign states, and that the power of united Germany is a strong guarantee of the maintenance of the peace of Europe.

(From the *Leicester Observer*.)

LONDON, April 2.
The earthquakes in California extended over two days, and many people were killed and injured.

OBITUARY.—Professor Maurice.

LONDON, April 3.
On the occasion of the closing of the Assembly of the Estates, M. Thiers said that order in the interior and peace abroad were assured at France. Europe was well disposed towards France, knowing she had honestly deserved peace. True revenge would be to reconstitute France.

LONDON, March 31.
The labourers in Warwickshire have struck work and formed a Union.

LONDON, April 1.
France has denounced the Treaty of Commerce with Belgium.

Dr. Deane succeeds Sir Travers Twiss as Vicar General for the Archdiocese of Canterbury.

The Madras Mail of March 23rd, contains the following items, none of which were sent to us by Baron ("Birken") Reuter.

LONDON, 22nd March.
The Lord Chancellor will move on the 11th April for the establishment of the Supreme Court of Appeal.

PARIS, March 22nd.
M. Fernier's instructions authorise him to inform the Italian Government that it is the wish of the French Government to continue the relations of traditional friendship which have hitherto existed between France and Italy.

The discussion of Israef's project has been adjourned till after Easter.

An entire disengagement exists between M. Thiers and the Comptroller appointed to consider the budget, who are unwilling to impose a tax on raw materials or taxable fabrics.

The Council of War has condemned to death seven persons implicated in the massacre in Rue Haute.

A majority of the Italian Chamber have voted for the Cabinet Conference.

The Emperor William being indisposed, will not hold a reception on the anniversary of his birthday.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

APRIL 24TH, EVENING.
There has been no change in the tone of the drug market, the following are the ruling prices, on cash and credit terms, with more sellers than buyers. New Patas, \$650; Old Patas, \$40 to \$42; New Bees, \$40 to \$42; Old Bees, \$20 to \$22; New Patas, 400 lbs sales on time to arrive, \$651 to \$652; from speculators' hands; Malva, \$100 to \$105 cent; and \$20 on credit, with all advance in weight.

APRIL 25TH, MORNING.
No change.

Bank Shares are steady at quotations. In Eric Shores, 100—62 per cent. and cash sales have been at \$520 to \$515; China, the cash sell at \$53 and Victoria at \$51. A few China and Japan have changed hands at \$12 to \$13. Steamship shares are lower, there being sellers at \$33 to \$34 per cent. premium. Docks are steady at \$24 per cent. discount. There is no trading in Shanghai Steam or Hotels.

SHARES.

Hongkong Bank Shares, 100—62 per cent. premium.
V. E N G H O L M, from the Hongkong Dispensary.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, new shares—\$1,400 per share premium.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—\$1,450 per share premium.

China and Japan Marine Insurance—\$1,450 per share premium.

Chinese Insurance Company—\$115 per share premium.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$35 per share premium.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$155 per share premium.

Victoria Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$6 per share premium.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—\$22 per cent. discount.

Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Co.'s Shares—\$33 per cent. premium.

Shanghai Steam Navigation Company—\$16 per share premium ex script.

SALES OF APRIL 24TH, 1872.

As reported by Chinese.

White Birdsticks, 2nd quality, 1 case, at \$3,500.

White Birdsticks, 1st quality, 2 cases, at \$3,500.

White Birdsticks, 1st quality, 1 case, at \$2,550.

White Birdsticks, 1st quality, 1 case, at \$2,550.

White Birdsticks, 1st quality, 1 case, at \$2,420.

White Birdsticks, 1st quality, 1 case, at

